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SUBJECT: VISIT OF UAW PRESIDENT LEONARD WOODCOCK TO BARCELONA

REF: A. MADRID 2022, B. MADRID 2300 (NOTAL)

1. LEONARD WOODCOCK'S VISIT TO BARCELONA (TO ATTEND THE  
UGT METALWORKERS CONGRESS, REFTEL A) WENT SMOOTHLY AND WAS

GREATLY APPRECIATED BY THE UGT. HE ARRIVED IN  
BARCELONA THE AFTERNOON OF APRIL 6, AND WAS MET BY UGT REPRE-  
SENTATIVES (INCLUDING SECRETARY GENERAL NICOLAS REDONDO),  
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OUR CONSUL GENERAL IN BARCELONA, AND LABATT. A COURTESY  
CALL ON BARCELONA MAYOR SOCIAS HUMBERT WAS FOLLOWED BY A  
MEETING WITH UGT METALWORKERS FROM THE SEAT PLANT, AND A  
PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE UGT'S BARCELONA HEADQUARTERS. AT  
THE LATTER EVENT, REDONDO RESPONDED TO QUESTIONS REGARDING  
THE SPANISH TRADE UNION SCENE, IMF SEC GEN HERMAN REBHAN  
FIELDED QUESTIONS ON IMF ACTIVITIES IN SPAIN, WHILE

WOODCOCK WAS ASKED TO COMMENT ON HIS RECENTLY CONCLUDED  
PRESIDENTIAL MISSION TO VIETNAM AND LAOS.

2. WOODCOCK'S ADDRESS AT THE OPENING SESSION OF THE  
CONGRESS THE AFTERNOON OF APRIL 7 WAS VERY WELL RECEIVED.  
HE STRESSED THAT POLITICAL DEMOCRACY AND TRADE UNION  
FREEDOM GO HAND IN HAND, AND NOTED THAT SPAIN HAD EXPERIENCED  
MUCH PROGRESS IN A SHORT TIME. HOWEVER, THERE MUST BE  
COMPLETE TRADE UNION FREEDOM: THE REINS SHOULD BE ENTIRELY  
REMOVED, NOT JUST SLACKENED. THE UAW HAD INVITED REDONDO TO  
THE U.S. AND WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO WELCOMING HIM AT ITS  
CONGRESS NEXT MONTH IN LOS ANGELES. WOODCOCK CHARACTERIZED  
PRESIDENT CARTER AS "A FRIEND OF LABOR", INTERESTED IN  
REACHING PEACEFUL AGREEMENT WITH NATIONS OF OTHER POLITICAL  
PERSUASIONS, AND DEDICATED TO BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS.

3. THE EVENING OF APRIL 7, WOODCOCK ATTENDED A UGT DINNER  
GIVEN IN HONOR OF THE FOREIGN GUESTS, WHICH INCLUDED TRADE  
UNIONISTS FROM WEST GERMANY (IN PARTICULAR, IMF AND IG METALL  
PRESIDENT EUGEN LODERER), UK, FRANCE, ITALY, NETHERLANDS,  
DENMARK, SWEDEN, NORWAY, AND SWITZERLAND. THE UAW PRESIDENT  
DEPARTED FOR THE U.S. - EARLIER THAN PLANNED - ON APRIL 8.  
BECAUSE HIS VISIT UNFORTUNATELY COINCIDED WITH EASTER HOLY  
WEEK, REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS WITH THE KING AND THE  
PRIME MINISTER (REFTEL B) DID NOT MATERIALIZE. STABLER

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